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PATENT APPLICATION

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of:)
LAURENT FROUIN ET AL.) : Examiner: Not Yet Assigned
Application No.: 09/778,827) : Group Art Unit: NYA
Filed: February 8, 2001) :
For: METHOD AND DEVICE FOR) :
COMMUNICATING BETWEEN A) :
FIRST AND A SECOND) :
NETWORK) : April 26, 2001

Commissioner for Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT

Sir:

In compliance with the duty of disclosure under 37 C.F.R. § 1.56 and in accordance with the practice under 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.97 and 1.98, the Examiner's attention is directed to the documents listed on the enclosed Form PTO-1449. Copies of the listed documents are also enclosed.

Each of the listed documents was cited in a search report from the French Patent Office in a Counterpart French application. A copy of the search report is enclosed. Because the search report is in French, an English translation of the search report form, explaining the categories of the citations, is enclosed for the Examiner's convenience.

The Examiner's attention is also directed to the following U.S. Application:

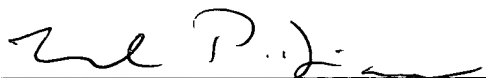
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A copy of the cited application, as originally-filed, is enclosed.

It is respectfully requested that the above information be considered by the Examiner and that a copy of the enclosed Form PTO-1449 be returned indicating that such information has been considered.

Applicants' undersigned attorney may be reached in our New York office by telephone at (212) 218-2100. All correspondence should continue to be directed to our address given below.

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